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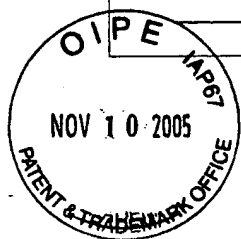
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, AMENDMENT AND REMARKS TO  
FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination is hereby submitted with the following response and amendments in response to the final office action mailed August 25, 2005. Favorable consideration and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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